

## Message Text

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ACTION EB-08

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R 291530Z OCT 77  
FM AMEMBASSY ALGIERS  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 7439  
INFO AMEMBASSY BRASILIA

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DEPARTMENT PLEASE PASS EXIMBANK LAROCHE

E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: ENRG, AG, BR  
SUBJECT: PETROBRAS ACTIVITIES IN ALGERIA

1. ACCORDING TO LOCAL AMCIT PETROLEUM SOURCES, PETORBRAS HAS A  
COMMERCIAL STRIKE IN REEF DEPOSITS, NORTHEAST OF HASSI  
MESSAOU, NEAR BISKRA. SIZE AND POTENTIAL OF FIELD  
UNKNOWN, STILL BEING TESTED. RUMOR HAS IT THAT DISCOVERY  
WELL FLOWED AT 36,000 BD, BUT WE EMPHASIZE THIS IS RUMOR  
WE HAVE NOT RPT NOT BEEN ABLE SUBSTANTIATE.

2. INDUSTRY SOURCES ALSO VERY INTERESTED IN PETROBRAS'  
APPARENT SUCCESS IN CONVINCING SONATRACH THAT THEY (PETROBRAS)  
BE ALLOWED DEVELOP FIELD THEMSELVES, RATHER THAN TURN  
IT OVER TO SONATRACH FOR DEVELOPMENT AS IS CALLED FOR IN  
PETROBRAS/SONATRACH AGREEMENT. THIS IS EXPLAINED BY FACT  
THAT SONATRACH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM ALREADY BECOMING MORE  
THAN THEY CAN HANDLE.HAYNES

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## Message Attributes

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